

Appl. No. 09/904,019
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Reply to Office Action dated July 7, 2004

REMARKS

Claims 1-49 are in the case.

The specification has been amended to reflect the current status of the parent applications.

Response to the Office Action

The Double Patenting Rejection

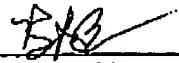
Claims 1-49 have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-69 of U.S. Patent 6,581,915 B2. In response, Applicants submit herewith a terminal disclaimer over U.S. Patent 6,581,915 B2. Applicants submit that this obviates the rejection and contend that it should be withdrawn.

Conclusion

It is submitted that Claims 1-49 are in condition for allowance. Early and favorable action on all claims is therefore requested.

If the next action is other than to allow the claims, the favor of a telephonic interview is requested with the undersigned representative.

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